

of the rights of the hon. Members, specially the privileges, have been well defined in rule 223 and no Member in the House can take a special advantage bypassing the rules. Today morning I myself got a call from the Notice Office saying that my notice for an Half-an-Hour discussion was not supported by the accompanying document and, therefore, the notice was being returned. I had to accept that. I am on record. Rule 223 clearly says :

"A member wishing to raise a question of privilege shall give notice in writing to the Secretary-General by 10.00 hours on the day the question is proposed to be raised. If the question raised is based on a document, the notice shall be accompanied by the document."
...*(Interruptions)*.

[Translation]

SHRI VINAY KATIYAR : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, rule 227 supersedes all other rules. The hon'ble Prime Minister Shri H.D. Deve Gowda has misled the House. His statement is available there and except that, there is no need of any other statement...*(Interruptions)*

[English]

SHRI P.R. DASMUNSI : If a notice is given without document and the document is placed in the House, the notice itself is to be rejected. It cannot be accepted. Rule 223 further states that if anything is submitted after 10 O'clock, it shall be deemed to have been received on the next day at 10 O'clock. That is what the rule says. How can the hon. Member bypass the rule? No Member can get an extra advantage, whether he is a Member for the third term or fourth term or fifth term. With all respect to Shri George Fernandes, I would like to submit that he cannot do it.

SHRI TARIT BARAN TOPDAR (Barrackpore) : Newspaper cutting is no document. Sir...*(Interruptions)*

[Translation]

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER : I have gone through all the three rules i.e. rule 222, 223, 227... In spite of that, I am saying...

(Interruptions)

[English]

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER : Please listen to him.

(Interruptions)

[Translation]

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER : As the name of the Hon'ble Prime Minister has been involved in it, this matter has become a serious one. Once the documents are attached.

[English]

Then it will be examined. That is all.

[Translation]

SHRI DEVI BUX SINGH (Unnao) : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, today I want to raise a very important matter in the House. In my constituency, Unnao, about 50 vacant posts of the Lekhpals have been filled up recently. In this regard, an advertisement was given in different newspapers. Since that very day, the bargaining started for these vacant posts. One interesting aspect of this process was that a committee was constituted before the examination. However, this committee was constituted only as a formality. The bribe ranging from Rupees sixty thousand to Rupees one lakh bribe was taken for a single post. This examination was conducted under the supervision of the District Magistrate and the Additional District Magistrate (Finance and Revenue). Such malpractices were committed on a large scale under their very more knowledge and as a result, the suitable candidates were deprived of the job. The relatives of all the members of the selection committee like cousin of the Chairman, son of the S.D.M., brother of the Tehsildar etc. were recruited in this way.

Sir, I demand that this case should be enquired into by the C.B.I. because some vacant posts of the clerks and Group 'D' employees are yet to be filled up in this district and bargaining has already started for these posts. The examination conducted for the Lekhpals should be cancelled and an inquiry should be conducted immediately in this regard.

SHRIMATI PHOOLAN DEVI (Mirzapur) : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I have been elected from Mirzapur-Bhadohi region. That area is a backward area. There is no factory or industry through which the people of that area could earn their livelihood. Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I therefore, want to urge the Government, through you, to declare that area as No-industry area so that some industries could be established there and lakhs and crores of people can earn their livelihood.

Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I would also like to add that those people who are engaged in laying roadstone work, are given two kilogrammes of grains as their wages. I demand that their wages should be raised and my area should be declared as No industry-area.

PROF. RITA VERMA (Dhanbad) : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I want to raise, through you a very important issue in the House. A statement of the Minister of Home Affairs has appeared in different newspaperes today, in which he has expressed his views regarding the functioning of the Government of Bihar.

[Translation]

We all have read the said statement in newspapers. It has created a strange and contradictory situation.

Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, the hon. Home Minister is at present the Home Minister of United Front Government headed by Shri H.D. Deve Gowda whose party is in power in Bihar. I do not intend to go into detail whether the party is virtually ruling or not?

[English]

Carnages like that of Bathani Tola in Bihar did not make any news. Such incidents are quite common in the villages of Bihar.

[Translation]

He has expressed this idea and has further said that in Bihar -

[English]

The Police is totally incapable of dealing with difficult situations; it is weak, indisciplined and ill-trained.

[Translation]

It is the same party in power in Bihar and the hon. Home Minister thinks in this way about that Government. I would like the hon. Home Minister to come to the House and brief us as to what he proposes to do in this regard?

Bihar, at present, is facing financial chaos. The law and order situation in Bihar is at its worst. In fact, there is no law and order in Bihar. An attempt to murder was made on the leader of opposition in Bihar Legislative Assembly. I do not want to indulge myself in that incident also but the hon. Home Minister visited the place on our demand and felt the indolence of Bihar Government - incapable of running the Government. I would like to request the hon. Home Minister to come to the House and make statement as to what he wants to do ... (Interruptions)

[English]

SHRI SOMNATH CHATTERJEE (Bolpur) : Sir, I am on a point of propriety... (Interruptions) Kindly allow me to speak for one minute.

Sir, it has already been stated and announced by the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs that the hon. Home Minister will make a statement on his visit to Bihar. Let the House wait for that statement. I am sure it will come as soon as possible. But the question is : can any and every matter of a State Government be raised on the floor of the House on the plea of Home Minister's visit to that State? Then it will become an Assembly of so many... (Interruptions) Can she say it on the basis of newspaper report?

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : If the Home Minister can make a statement, why can a Member not speak?

(Interruptions)

SHRI SOMNATH CHATTERJEE : Sir, when Home Minister is yet to make a statement, these things are brought to the House and the State Governments are abused. This is not the way. (Interruptions) This is Parliament of India... (Interruptions) Sir, you have to take steps.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Let Shri Sat Mahajan speak.

(Interruptions)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : I have already called Shri Mahajan. Let him speak.

(Interruptions)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Please speak after him.

[Translation]

SHRI SAT MAHAJAN (Kangra) :

"Jab Waqt para chaman par to khoon diya hamne. Jab bahar aai hai to kahte hain ki tumhara kam nahin."... (Interruptions)

[English]

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : Let Mr. Mahajan speak.

[Translation]

SHRI SAT MAHAJAN : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, atrocity in my area is being committed on large scale. I would like to request the hon. Prime Minister and Shri Sharma ji to help in this regard. The exploitation of Rajasthan in Pong dam has incurred much loss to the State. I request the hon. Members sitting here to help them raising above the party affiliation. We have made sacrifices but 22500 families were uprooted. 16101 families were identified to be given 'murabbas' as compensation. The land was allotted to 9195 families only but the possession was given to only 7000 families. Out of it 6658 'murabbas' were cancelled. The current position is that only 3000 'murabbas' are left there. At that time the Chief Minister of Rajasthan and the Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh Thakur Ram Lalji were there. Shrimati Indira Gandhi called them and decided the matter. 5000 'murabbas' were going to be restored but out of it 1300 'murabbas' are such, as were promised to be given possession but it was not given. In the last, 2108 'murabbas' were cancelled and 1901 were served notices.

I would like to request the hon. Prime Minister to call the hon. Chief Minister of Rajasthan and Himachal Pradesh. I also request Shri Krishan Lal Sharma who has been our Member of Parliament. I would like to tell the hon. Prime Minister that it is a human problem and not a political one. If you do not solve it, it will create problem to the projects to be launched. We are being shifted to Jaisalmer-1100 k.m. away where there is neither water to drink nor electricity. It is grave injustice to us.

[English]

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER : Mr. Chitta Basu.

SHRI CHITTA BASU (Barasati) : I am sorry to say that the subject which I wanted to raise has already been raised by Shri Hannan Mollah. You should have called me at that time. Sir, although I raised my hand at that time, you did not allow me to speak.

The question is that the jute industry in West Bengal is reeling under a severe crisis. The crisis has been due to the non-availability of raw jute at considerable